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**Consumption of Corn in England.**  
[From Mr. Windom's Report.]

Mr. B. muer said: The consumption of corn in England is increasing enormously. So much so that many farmers turn their attention to raising wheat, and even buy corn from America or from the Danube for consumption on their own farms to fatten cattle, for it is not yet used for human food. A very little in Ireland, perhaps, but not at all in England. In England up to recent years corn was scarcely used at all, but has increased in consumption much. The London Omnibus Company have about eight thousand horses, and they have always fed them on oats, there being a prejudice in their favor, but if oats are dear the company pays no dividend, and the consumption is so enormous. Some years ago they turned their attention to corn, and it answers admirably. It saved them £16,000 in one year, because the corn was cheap, or about \$80,000. This they saved in the single item of feed to their horses, but that was chiefly in American corn and during a year when it was very low. Corn is also now greatly used in distilling, starch making, and especially in feeding hogs. If corn could be sent to England a little cheaper there is no limit to the consumption of it. One reason of that is the change in the articles of food among the English population. They now consume, I suppose, three or four times as much animal food as twenty years ago. The habits of the people have changed. For the last ten or twelve years we can not afford to pack beef in England. I suppose for fifteen years, not for 20 years, can we afford to pack pork, because the price of the fresh meat is so large, the population being large and the country very small, and it is difficult to export fresh beef from America, but salt provisions can be exported. A large consumption of animal food has created in England an immense demand for feeding stuffs, especially for corn, which has become a favorite. I think that in England the consumption of corn is about 50,000,000 bushels a year, a mere trifle. I have to do with this a quadruple of corn were to come down something in price, for corn is the cheapest feeding cereal we have. Turnips are cheaper, but do not answer all the purposes, of course. If corn was cheaper still, it would supersede the barley and oats, which are used to a certain extent. The following are the shipments of corn from Chicago, taken from a table furnished Windom's committee by Charles Randolph, esq., Secretary of the Board of Trade of Chicago:

In the year 1869,	21,586,808 bushels.
" " 1870,	17,777,377 "
" " 1871,	38,716,930 "
" " 1872,	47,013,525 "

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## DRY GOODS.

**NOTICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS.**  
**THE HOME-MADE SHIRTS.**  
Warranted made of XX Wamsutta Cotton and No. 2100 Linen of the very best custom made, and perfect fit. Price \$1. Sold by  
H. B. HOOMES, D. F. BRASHEAR,  
A. H. MOREHEAD. No. 109 King street,  
Alexandria, Va.

**UMBRELLAS AND PARASOLS**—We have this day received from the manufacturer, on Steel, Paragon and Argis Frames, in Plain and Twilled Silks, one of the largest, most varied and elegant stocks of Umbrellas and Parasols ever offered in this market. The ladies particularly are invited to call and see them.  
D. F. BRASHEAR.

**SILKS**—We have this day received a lot of very beautiful Striped and Checked French Gray Silks together with a full line of Black Silks, which we offer at prices corresponding with the times. The ladies will please call and see them.  
D. F. BRASHEAR.

**DRESS GOODS**—We are now receiving a full line of Spring Dress Goods in Plaids and Popular shades of plain colors, among them very fine, soft and light weight, Berge Serges, now in great demand. The ladies are invited to call and see them.  
D. F. BRASHEAR.

**FLANNELS**—We have this day opened a line of extra fine silk warp and all wool medium weight and Gauze Flannels, which we offer at prices to suit purchasers.  
D. F. BRASHEAR.

**Taylor & Hufty,**  
933 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Have REDUCED the price of their celebrated

**DOUBLE-YOKE SHIRTS,**

AS FOLLOWS:

Quality No. 1, \$ 4.00.....	Formerly \$30.00
" " 2, 33.00.....	" 36.00
" " 3, 39.00.....	" 42 1/2
" " 4, 42.00.....	" 48.00

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**Cloths, Cassimeres and Suitings,**

FOR MEN AND BOYS WEAR.

Saturday, March 25, 1876.

Opening to-day a large line of the above goods; all new styles; sold very cheap.

**D. BENDHEIM**

112 KING STREET.

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**NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!**

**J. M. STEWART**

Has just opened a fine stock of

**SPRING GOODS.**

Plaids for over dresses and the plain goods to match.

Percales, in great variety.

Prints and Cambrics.

Black Gro. Grain Silks for \$1.50—a fine article.

Australian Crapes, very handsome.

Black French Cashmeres.

Crape Veils and English Crapes for trimming.

Single and Double Black Cashmere Shawls.

Plaid and Striped Muslins.

Lonsdale Cambrics.

Stock of superior (Richardson's) Irish Linens.

Very beautiful printed Linen Lawns, White do., Table Napkins of all prices, Hemstitched Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs for ladies and gentlemen, Gloves and Hosiery.

A large lot of superior finish Alpaca. These goods are beautiful blacks and the most approved brands.

Very fine Black Mohairs, with all kinds of Bleached Goods, superior Cotton Sheetings, &c., &c.

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**C. C. BERRY'S.**

BY NEW YORK STEAMER THIS DAY.

A beautiful and carefully selected

assortment of

**THE NEWEST STYLES OF TAPESTRY**

**BRUSSELS CARPETS.**

Also CHINA and COCOA MATTING, in all widths, at

**D. F. WITMER'S**

NO. 73 KING STREET,

mh 20 (Second floor.)

A FULL LINE OF

**3-Ply Ingrain Hemp Carpets,**

OIL CLOTHS, RUGS, MATS, &c.,

At **D. F. WITMER'S,**

No. 73 King street, second floor.

**144 Pretzfelder & Co. 144**

Offer Great Bargains in

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**MOURNING GOODS DEPARTMENT.**

AT

**H. C. SLAYMAKER CO'S**

HENRIETTA CLOTHS, pure Silk Warp, as low as an ordinary Cashmere.

COLONNA CLOTHS, something new in Mourning Goods, very handsome and cheap.

CASHMERE, TAMISE and AUSTRALIAN CREPES unusually low.

BLACK FRENCH MOUSLIN, 5-4 and 6-4.

BLACK ALPACAS and MOHAIRS. We pay special attention to the selection of this class of goods, and offer them at such prices as to defy competition.

GRAPE VEILS from low priced up to the heaviest double Grape, largest size.

BLACK ENGLISH PIECE CREPE for trimmings.

We give particular attention to this department and no one need go from home to find a handsome line of cheap goods.

**H. C. SLAYMAKER COMPY.,**

75 and 77 King st., cor. Royal.

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**TO THE PUBLIC.**

In order to reduce our entire stock of Fall and Winter

**BOOTS & SHOES**

of which we have a good assortment, we will sell them at

**PRIME COST**

from now until the FIRST OF MARCH. All in want of good goods at the price of poor ones will do well to call at 74 King street, as we are determined to close them out.

**W. B. WADDEY,**

74 KING STREET.

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**ENCOURAGE HOME MANUFACTURE.**

I am now manufacturing a good and cheap PAINT, of several colors, the body of which is equal to Lead and Oil, which for tin roofs, barns, stables, fences, &c., will be found very durable. It is also a capital roofing paint for either wood or metal. Price per gallon \$1.20, in 10 gallon lots \$1 per gallon, or in 40 gallon lots 90c per gallon. Shipped to the country in any quantity desired. This paint has been in use in Baltimore for over four years and with entire satisfaction to all who have tried it. We have secured the exclusive agency for this section of Virginia.

**JANNEY & CO.**

**SCISSORS!**

Having taken the agency for ROBERTS' CELEBRATED RAZOR STEEL SCISSORS, we are prepared to sell a first class warranted, very reasonable price. Every pair warranted.

**FERGUSON & BRO.**

96 King street.

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**SPRING STYLES**  
**OF**  
**BOOTS & SHOES.**

**F. PAFF,**

NO. 98 KING STREET.

Is now in receipt of his stock of Spring styles of LADIES', GENTS', BOYS' and CHILDREN'S

BOOTS AND SHOES.

The assortment is well selected and cannot be surpassed in quantity or quality. It has been purchased at the lowest cash prices and will be sold at a small advance to suit the times.

A large force of skilled workmen constantly employed, and the finest kind of custom work made to order upon short notice.

Having served as a practical shoemaker for a number of years, my long experience enables me to guarantee a perfect fit for any shaped foot.

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**F. PAFF.**

**74 KING STREET.**

**ECONOMY IS WEALTH.**

**WE CAN HELP YOU SPEND YOUR MONEY WISELY.**

We can convince you that you can save money this Spring and Summer if you will buy your

**Boots, Shoes,**

&c., &c., &c.

from us. Our stock is now in, and never before was more complete in every respect than at present. Almost every desirable style of

**BOOTS & SHOES,**

FOR

GENTS', LADIES', BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S WEAR,

can be found in our stock; and as for quality and price we ask an examination and comparison to satisfy yourself that we can make it to your interest to trade with

Yours respectfully,

**W. B. WADDEY.**

COUNTRY MERCHANTS will find it to their advantage to examine our stock, from which equally good selections can be made, at prices that will compare favorably with those of the Northern cities.

**W. B. WADDEY,**

74 KING STREET,

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**ALEXANDRIA, VA.**

**Musical Notice.**

I wish my friends to notice that I receive or

**TUNINGS AND REPAIRS OF PIANOS**

AND ORGANS

through Mr. John H. Parrott, Prof. R. E. Heyman or by letter. All attend to all promptly.

I have the celebrated **W. H. HEINZKAMP** PIANOS for sale, and also **MARSHAL & SMITH'S**, at very low prices. Give me a call or write to

**VICTOR BECKER**

803 7th street, N. W.,

Washington, D. C.

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**SOUTHERN**

**Breakfast Wheat.**

ACKNOWLEDGED SUPERIOR TO MOST PREPARATIONS OF WHEAT.

THE EQUAL OF THE BEST.

PRE-EMINENTLY A CHILD'S FOOD.

FOR SALE BY GROCERS.

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**CLARKE'S**

**GALLERY OF FINE ARTS.**

No. 168 King street.

A large and choice collection of new FINE CHROMOS, new style EASEL STATUARY and FLOWER PIECES, fine Gold and elegant Velvet PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES, SWISS CARVED GOODS, Gold and Silver Picture Cord, PICTURE FRAMES, the finest line in the city, with many useful and beautiful articles for gifts, selected with great care and offered at low prices.

**GARDEN SEEDS**—We are in receipt of our usual Spring supply of Garden seeds, comprising all the old and well known and some new varieties. Our purchases of seeds have been exclusively from the old established houses of David Landreth & Sons, of Philadelphia, and James M. Thorburn & Co. of New York, and we think can therefore be relied upon as fresh and genuine and true to their names. Catalogues will be mailed to any address upon application. We have also a choice assortment of FLOWER SEEDS, to which we especially invite the attention of the ladies.

**JANNEY & CO.**

**OUR FIFTY CENT JAPAN TEA**—We have just received another lot of this fine flavored tea. It has been pronounced superior in flavor to the celebrated fifty cent tea of Washington city by persons who have used both. We invite those persons who have been buying in Washington and those who want a nice flavored cheap tea to give us a trial. We are confident that one trial will convince you that we sell a better tea for fifty cents than can be bought in Washington city.

**GEORGE MCBURNEY & SON,**

109 and 170 King street.

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**DR. J. H. McLEAN'S CELEBRATED**

**FAMILY MEDICINES**, consisting of Strengthening Cordial, Vegetable Oil Liment, Chinese sugar Pills, Liquid Vermure, Universal White Crystal Coated Pills, Candy Vermure, Wonderful Cough and Lung Healing Globules and Catarrh Snuff. For sale both wholesale and retail by

**JANNEY & CO.**

**GUNS, CAPS, WADS, &c.**—Just opened at 88 King street, Alexandria, Va., corner of Royal, an assortment of English Twist shot guns, of good quality, and at very low prices; also a Breech Loader, with all the fixtures, shells, &c., Musket Caps, Gun Wads, Flasks, Pouches, Belts, &c., to which we invite attention.

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**J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.**

**ALCOCK'S PORTLAND PLASTER** by the yard at

**WARFIELD & HALL.**

## BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

**New Books, Magazines, Reviews**  
&c., &c., &c.

**FRENCH, No. 95 KING ST.**

**WHAT TO WEAR AND HOW TO MAKE IT** for the Spring and Summer of 1876, by Mme. Demoree.....15c

**ILLUSTRATED PORTFOLIO OF FASHIONS** for the Spring and Summer of 1876, by Mme. Demoree.....15c

**HARPER'S MAGAZINE** for April.....15c

**PETERSON'S MAGAZINE** for April.....15c

**ARIEL'S REPLY** to the Rev. John A. Seiss, D.D., of Philadelphia; also his reply to the scientist geologist and other learned men in their attacks on the credibility of the Bible in account of the creation and flood.....15c

**CARDER QUARTERMAN**, by Baker.....15c

**THE SQUIRREL'S LEGACY**, by Cecil Bay.....15c